(b) if there has been, at what stage it is at present;

(c) if there has not been, why not take early steps to have such a bridge constructed in the near future?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) No. But there was correspondence on the subject with the Collector of Malabar.

(b) Arrangements have been made to have the bridge constructed by the Malabar District Board. Government have agreed to pay half the cost of the work. It is expected that the work will be started early.

(c) In view of the answer to (b), the question does not arise.

Education Department.

289. Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—Will the Government be pleased to give a caste or religious list of

(1) the teachers drawing a salary of more than Rs. 100 monthly;

(2) the Inspecting Officers and the Headmasters of High Schools;

(3) Manager, clerks and peons in the Office of the Director, Inspectors, and the High Schools, taking only the institutions now directly under the Government?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(1) Nil.

(2) Inspecting Officers.

Hindus	4
Christians	1

Headmasters of High Schools

Hindus	16

3 Manager Christian

Clerks.

Hindus	12
Christians	5

Peons.

Hindus	3
Christians	3
Muslims	2

Clerks.

Hindus	16
Christian	1

Peons.

Hindus	7
Christians	2

Clerks.

Hindus	20
Christians	2

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Peons.

Hindus	17
Christians	5

Assignment of Forest area.

290. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) if the attention of the Government was drawn to the article "കാട്ടുകുന്നത്തിലെ ഇടവും കറിയും" in the '*Gomathy*' (ഗോമതി) Newspaper in its issue dated 10th Thulam 1106;

(b) what is the name of the person to whom the area of 500 acres in Kodasseri referred to in the article is to be assigned and what is the profession of this assignee; what is the estimate of forest growth and its value in the area proposed to be assigned;

(a) was there a proposal to convert this area into a teak plantation by the Sirkar; if so, why was it given up;

(d) whatare the terms under which the area is at present proposed to be assigned;

(e) was the forest growth notified for sale by public auction; if not, why not?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) Sreemathi V. K. Parukutti Naithyar Ammah Avergal, Jenmi. But the extent sanctioned to be assigned to her is only 131.33 acres. The value of the forest growth is estimated at Rs. 8,756-13-1. A copy of the list of the forest growth whose value is estimated is placed on the Council table.

(c) No.

(d) The area is proposed to be assigned after realising a land value of Rs. 3,033-15-4 and value of forest growth estimated at Rs. 8,756-13-1. The lands will be charged with assessment at the usual rates.

(e) No; it was considered unnecessary since the tree growth was valued.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—May I know who is the petitioner?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—Not Padmanabha Menon.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—In the face of the serious allegations made in the paper which I shall read—

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—We have read it.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—In the face of these serious allegations that the forest growth is worth Rs. 80 thousand, is there any objection to sell that by auction?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—I want notice.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—This statement was before the Government already. Then why should the Government

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